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Bear Francis:

Thank you for your letter of 12 January advising me of your plans to visit Africa.

In the event you are going to be in Washington prior to your departure, we should be most interested in providing you a briefing on the area. In any case, we would like to see you when you return from your trip for this is a part of the world in which we have great interest.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely.

Allen W. Bulles Director

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Mr. L. F. V. Brains

Bear Francis:

Thank you fer your letter of 12 January, telling me the plane for your serial trip to Africa via England, Italy, and Greece.

We would be interested to have you come in when you return and have a chat with our people who know that part of the world. Should you wish to come here for a briefing before you depart, we would be pleased to see you. In the latter case you might deal directly with Stanley Grogan, one of my assistants, whom you know, and he will make the necessary arrangements. I will, of course, be happy to see you.

Comgratulations appear to be in order for your receiving membership on the board of the African Research Foundation (Medical).

Again, thanks for telling me of your plane.

Sincerely,

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Allen V. Dalles Director

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